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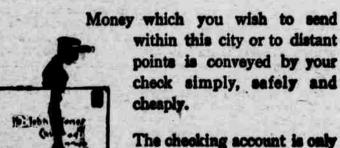
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PUTNAM COUNTY HERALD

The Story of Our States

By JONATHAN BRACE XLIV.—UTAH



THE first white excursion into Utah dates back to 1540 when a party of Spaniards sent out by

Coronado succeeded in penetrating to the Colorado river. There is no authentic record of further explorations until over 200 years had elapsed. In 1776 two Franciscan friars, in their attempt to find the shortest way to the Pacific, went from Santa Fe to Utah Lake. The Great Salt Lake, however, was not discovered until 1824, when James Bridges, a trapper, in wandering through this region came upon this huge, inland, salt

But the real history of Utah begins with the rise of Mormon power there. Discouraged by the agitation in Illinois and Missouri, the Mormons decided to emigrate to the great West. In large caravans they traveled across the plains and in 1847 came to Salt Lake City where they settled. Here they flourished, increasing their numbers and by 1852 they reached a total in this vicinity of over 15,000. Meanwhile, in 1848, by the terms of the treaty of peace with Mexico, a huge western tract, of which Utah was a part, was ceded to the United States. As no definite government was arranged for, the control of affairs locally was for a number of years entirely in the hands of the officers of the Mormon church. They, accordingly, made up a constitution and organized un-der the name of the State of Deseret. This is a word taken from the Book of Mormon, and signifies, "Industry." Application was made for admission to the Union, but this was refused and the federal government instead organized the Territory of Utah in 1850. The first governor was Brigham Young, the successor of Joseph Smith and president of the Mormon church.

The attempt to do away with polygamy met with little success until in 1890 the Mormon church finally agreed not to countenance it. Meanwhile, growing antagonism between the Mormons and non-Mormons verged nearly on civil war. Finally a general amnesty was declared and after many requests Utah was acrequests Utah was accepted as the forty-fifth state of the Union in 1896.

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PAYS TO FATTEN POULTRY

ing that it pays to fatten poultry for Wheat acreage sown to Nov. 20, 79 way Engineering at the University of hogs and cattle. Heavy feeding and 72 per cent. Rye, acreage sown, 80 9 to February 17. The work has been close confinement for two or three per cent. Corn, yield per acre, 28 developed to satisfy the needs for weeks dds finish and weight, thereby increasing the price per pound and 811 pounds. Millet seed threshed, 69 adjoining states. This course has the number of pounds. The poultry per cent. Stock peas, seed threshed, grown from small beginnings to such specialist, Division of Extension, has 68 per cent. Sweet potatoes, yield a size that there is no question that found an excellent fattening ration per acre, 93 bushels. Late Irish po- it is satisfying a great need. The to consist of 2 parts finely ground tatoes, yield per acre, 66 bushels. cornmeal and 2 parts wheat shorts, moistened with buttermilk or sour Broom corn, yield per acre, 72 per for beginners and experienced highmilk to a mortar-like consistency. All cent. Peanuts, yield per acre, per the birds will eat is fed three times daily. It is not uncommon for a per cent. good, husky bird weighing 11/2 to 2 pounds to add three quarters of a pound, or 35 percent of its original weight, in two or three weeks. If the birds are thrifty, 31/2 lbs. of this feed will add a pound of weight. The maximum gain can usually be obtained in 15 to 20 days. The birds should be marketed as soon as their appetite Rich, Red Blood Built Up by Peptobegins to wane. If the mixture is properly saturated with buttermilk or sour milk, no water need be given. With present feed prices, fattening young birds by intensive feeding should be profitable. Heretofore, the produce men have been finishing them after obtaining them from farmers. There is no reason why this cannot be donne by the producer instead of the middleman.

REQUESTS GIFTS FOR HOSPITAL INMATES

To Our Friends:-

We wish to hank you for he interest manifested in the welfare of the patients of this Hospital during the past year, and as Christmas season' approaches we again submit our appeal to the friends of the institution, according to our custom in the past.

A great many of these unfortunate people seemingly have no relatives or friends who are interested in them. We hope the public will not forget them this year.

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CROP REPORT FOR NOVEMBER

Nashville, Dec. 7:-Final estimates of crop reporters of the Department of Agriculture, just compled by Commissioner of Agriculture T. F. Peck, fix the yield of corn in Tennessee at 28 bushels per acre, which would make the total yield in the State about 90,000,000 bushels, based on an acreage of about 3,-200,000.

While the yeald is good, there is general complaint in many sections of the State about the quality. There has been considerable damage from dry rot, and this coupled with the low price of corn which the producer is receiving-40 to 50 cents a bushel is discouraging to the farmers.

The production of cotton, accordign to final estimates, was slightly ever 800 pounds average to the acre. The figures show 811 pounds of seed cotton, which would be between one-third and half a bale to the acre. Cotton picking has been finished, and much of the staple has already reached the market.

Tobacco averages 780 pounds to the acre, but there was a considerably decreased acreage. The quality of the weed is reported good, and good prices are being realized, according to reports from Montgomery, Robertson, Weakley, Greene and other tobacco producing counties.

Reports from correspondents indicate an increased acreage this year is wheat, and a gold stand is reported from most counties where it is a sta

Later reports from counties reduced the vield of sweet and Irish potatoes from the estimates made last month. There was an increase in the acreage of sweet potatoes, and more care is being shown in their cultivation to avoid the diseases so common to that plant. The average production per acre of sweet potatoes figures, according to the correspondents, about 93 bushels to the acre, and of Irish potatoes about 66.

The counties in which peanuts are grown for the market report fairly good yields, and there is also reported a good yield of broomcorn.

Some counties report extra good yields of stock peas, and the percentage of millet seed threshed is reported good.

Young clover and grasses are reported in generally good condition, and there has been good pasturage during the fall months, which has meant a large saving to farmers in feedstuffs.

Livestock is reported in good condition in practically all sections of the State. There is very little hog cholera. Farmers report fewer hogson hand than at any time for several years. There is general complaint about the prices received for cattle and hogs.

Averages compiled from the reports received from the county correspend-Many Tennessee farmers are learn- ents show the following conditions.

Tobacco, yield per acre, pounds, 780. cent, 78. Livestock, condition, 88

Young clover, condition, per cent, 74. Alfalfa, condition, per cent, 88.

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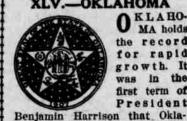
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By JONATHAN BRACE XLV.—OKLAHOMA

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land available under the Homestead Act was difficult to find so the United States bought from the Indians, who had been segregated in Indian territory, a large tract of some 40,000 square miles that had been used largely by the Indians as pasture for their cattle and horses. This was called Oklahoma, a word meaning "fine country," and was arranged to be ready for sale to homesteaders at 12 o'clock noon of April 22, 1889. Troops were placed on guard to prevent any settlers entering before that time for more than 100,000 "boomers" as they were called, came from all over the country to obtain farms or places for business. On the stroke of the hour, bugles sounded and the mad rush by men, women and children to locate claims began. The government had arranged land officers at many places at which claims could be filed for the farms or city lots, and all that day these were besieged by fighting mobs to register their selections. Before nightfall hundreds of farms were staked out and Oklahoma City and Guthrie were well on their way to become cities.

Thus was developed this region which came into the possession of the United States as a part of the Louisiana Purchase in 1808 and which was set aside for so many years as Indian country. Previous to the formation of Oklahoma territory, congress had forbidden white settlers in this part of the country, and this edict was enforced by federal troops. As the demand for more land was felt and as the Indians decreased in numbers, Indian territory was added to Oklahoma territory, and in 1907 it was admitted to the Union as the State of Oklahoma, adding another star to our flag, which for eleven years had contained forty-five. The state has flourished to such an extent that it has ten presidential electors, which is more than double that of many of the older states of larger size.

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The annual short course m Highbushels. Cotton, yield per acre, seed road builders in Tennessee and the course lasts for six weeks and during this period instruction is given way engneers.

A speal course in Highway Maintenance is offered during the fifth week. In this work a patrolman will be given specific intruction in the problems . road maintenance. Not only will he be given class room work, but he will be given special practice on the roads near Knoxville.

The outside lectures this year are exceptionally good. Engineers from the Tennessee Department of Highways, Engineers of the Bureau of public roads and engineers from the materials associations will give a se These lectures have become a very attractive feature of the short course, are specialists in particular phases student an opportunity to come into direct contact with men who are highway work.

In addition to the work in Highway Engineering a special course in Motor Mechanics is offered to persons who desire to learn how to repair and operate motor vehicles. This course in state and county employ and who such mechanics to the University for this training. It is believed that such training will amply repay in the better care that will be given motor equipment when the student returns to his regular job.

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